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FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, and for the purposes enunciated in paragraphs (d) and (e) thereof, the National Security Council hereby authorizes and directs that:

1. The Director of Central Intelligence shall insure the coordination of the procurement of foreign language publications for intelligence purposes.

2. The Director of Central Intelligence shall provide, as a primary responsibility, for the following services to the IAC agencies:

a. Preparing and disseminating English language excerpts, summaries, abstracts, and compilations from foreign language publications.

b. Developing and maintaining indexes, accession lists, and reference services regarding foreign language publications of intelligence interest.

c. Insure the coordination of the above activities,

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as well as the coordination of translation services, with similar activities maintained by the intelligence agencies in accordance with their needs.

3. The intelligence agencies of the Government shall make available to the Director of Central Intelligence, upon request, foreign language publications in their possession.

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